

Capital Case – Execution October 5, 2021 at 6:00 central

No. 21-_____

In The Supreme Court Of The United States

ERNEST JOHNSON,

Petitioner,

v.

PAUL BLAIR,

Respondent.

ON PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO
THE SUPREME COURT OF MISSOURI

**PETITIONER'S MOTION TO PROCEED
IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

Petitioner Ernest Johnson respectfully requests leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Pursuant to current 18 U.S.C. § 3599, Mr. Johnson was declared indigent and provided counsel by the Federal District Court for the Western District of Missouri, the Eighth Circuit, as well as this Court during his habeas proceedings. He was also declared indigent and proceeded *in forma pauperis* in his Rule 91 state habeas corpus proceedings in the Missouri Supreme Court, pursuant to Missouri Supreme Court Rule 84.24. Pursuant to Sup. Ct. R. 39(1), Petitioner therefore moves to proceed with the filing of his Petition for Writ of Certiorari *in forma pauperis*.

Respectfully Submitted

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